Regular Board Meeting (Thursday, October 15, 2026)

Members present
Kevin Barnes, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, 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, October 15, 2026, at 6:00 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, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec (arrived at 6:20 p.m.), Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl (arrived at 6:30 p.m.), and Kevin Barnes. Also present were Brian Latwis, Ed.D. Superintendent, Timothy E. Kelley, Business Administrator, and Michael Stanton, Esquire. Members absent were Kelly Ann Emberger and Chris Halliday. 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 Corey Niemiec. The Board entered executive session at 6:01 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 involving anticipated or pending litigation, including matters of attorney-client privilege, and specifically: insurance settlements.

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: personnel matters.

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

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

The Board returned from executive session at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Jocelyn Palaganas, second by Corey Niemiec.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, 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, October 15, 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, 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, and Student Representative Callie Erney. Members absent were Kelly Ann Emberger and Chris Halliday. There were 65 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 offered condolences to Vice President Halliday and the Halliday family on the passing of Mrs. Ruth Halliday.

President Barnes also updated the Board on the most recent NJSBA county meeting that was held at the Upper Township Middle School.

E. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/PRESENTATIONS

Information: 1. Student Recognitions

Dr. Latwis presented student recognitions along with Ms. Jacqueline Kulinski, Mrs. Mary Beth Libro, Mr. Matt Engle, and Dr. Wendy O'Neal.

Information: 2. Staff Recognitions

Dr. Latwis, Kevin Barnes, Jen Cawley-Black, Corey Niemiec, and Jocelyn Palaganas presented October Anchored in Excellence Awards to staff members.

Information: 3. Morgan's Message

Karissa Kelly, OCHS Junior, presented to the Board regarding the Morgan's Message program and her personal experiences.

Information: 4. Board Member Recognition

Dr. Latwis thanked the Board for their continued service to the school community as a part of School Board Member Recognition Month and recognized President Barnes for earning the designation of "Certified Board Member" from the New Jersey School Boards Association.

Dr. Latwis also provided updates on District activities and welcomed student representative Callie Ernie to the Board meeting.

Student Representative Callie Erney provided an update to the Board of Education.

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	Nutcracker Ballet	December 6, 2026 (Sun) 12:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Auditorium; F105/F107	No charge
2	NJ Surf Soccer	Winter Training	January 11 - March 8, 2027 (Mondays) 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm (1/11 & 1/25) ***Not Available: 1/18/27, 2/15/27***	Auxiliary Gym	No charge
3	Starstruck Dance Academy	Dress Rehearsal	February 27, 2027 (Sat) 9:00 am - 7:00 pm	Auditorium; F105/F107	$850.00
4	Ocean City Environmental Commission	Environmental Expo	February 13, 2027 (Sat) 9:30 am - 12:00 pm 8:30 am (setup)	Cafeteria	No charge

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jennifer Cawley-Black.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, 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	City of Ocean City	Travel Basketball Practice	November 9, 2026 - March 18, 2027 (Mon/Wed) 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm (Tues/Thurs) 5:00 pm - 8:30 pm ***Not Available: 11/26/26, 12/24-12/31/26, 1/18/27, 2/15/27***	Intermediate School Gym	No charge
2	City of Ocean City	Dixie Howell Basketball Tournament	December 11, 2026 (Fri) 3:15 pm - 8:30 pm December 12, 2026 (Sat) 9:00 am - 3:00 pm December 14 - 16, 2026 (Mon-Wed) 3:15 pm - 8:30 pm	Intermediate School Gym	No charge

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

Information: 3. Drills

School	Date	Drill(s)
High School	September 15, 2026 September 17, 2026	Fire Security
Intermediate School	September 15, 2026 September 17, 2026	Fire Security
Primary School	September 14, 2026 September 17, 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. School Self-Assessment
The Board approves the submission of the New Jersey Department of Education School Self-Assessment for Determining Grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights for September 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026.

The schools' grades are as follows:
OCHS - 76
OCIS - 77
OCPS - 75

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

Action: 2. Atlantic Cape Community College Agreement
The Board approves the Dual Credit Agreement between Atlantic Cape Community College and Ocean City High School for the following classes:

ACCC Dual Credit Courses		
ACCT130 Financial Accounting	4 credits	$73.00/credit
ARTS135 Art with Computers	3 credits	$73.00/credit
BUSN101 Introduction to Business	3 credits	$73.00/credit
BUSN104 Entrepreneurship	3 credits	$73.00/credit
BUSN142 Personal Finance	3 credits	$73.00/credit
BUSN202 Principles of Marketing	3 credits	$73.00/credit
CHEM100 Introduction to College Chemistry	4 credits	$73.00/credit
CRIM101 Introduction to Criminal Justice	3 credits	$73.00/credit
ECON110 Macroeconomics	3 credits	$73.00/credit
ECON210 Microeconomics	3 credits	$73.00/credit
FREN111 Elementary French I	3 credits	$73.00/credit
FREN112 Elementary French II	3 credits	$73.00/credit
ITAL111 Elementary Italian I	3 credits	$73.00/credit
ITAL112 Elementary Italian II	3 credits	$73.00/credit
MATH150 Precalculus	4 credits	$73.00/credit
SPAN111 Elementary Spanish I	3 credits	$73.00/credit
SPAN112 Elementary Spanish II	3 credits	$73.00/credit
TCRF103 Digital Production I	3 credits	$73.00/credit

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

Action: 3. High School Field Trips
The Board approves the attached High School Field Trip list.

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

Action: 4. Intermediate School Field Trips (OC Reps Only)
The Board approves the attached Intermediate School Field Trip list.

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

Information: 5. HIB Case Findings

HS27-1
HS27-2

Information: 6. Out-of-School Suspension Report - September 2026

Information: 7. HIB Case Findings - Informational

HS27-3
HS27-4
IS27-1

Reports: 9. Curriculum and Student Affairs Committee Report
Mr. Niemiec 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 $5,269,754.51

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

Action: 2. Secretary and Monthly Cash Reconciliation Reports
The Board approves the Board Secretary's Monthly Financial Report and the Monthly Cash Reconciliation Report for July, August, and September 2026. The Board Secretary's Monthly Financial Report and Monthly Cash Reconciliation Report are in agreement with each other.

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

Action: 3. Line Item Transfers
The Board approves the revenue and appropriation transfers for July, August, and September 2026. The Board also acknowledges receipt of the State of NJ mandated transfer reconciliation form for July, August, and September, 2026.

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

Action: 4. Travel and Expense Reimbursement
The Board approves the October 2026 list of Board of Education Members and School District Staff travel and related expense reimbursements.

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

Action: 5. Food Service Report
The Board accepts the Food Service Monthly Finance Report for September 2026.

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

Action: 6. Athletic Department Pay Rates
The Board approves the following revised pay rates per event for Athletic Workers, effective October 9, 2026:

Fall/Winter/Spring Sports	
Announcer	$50.00
Cashier	$50.00
Cashier-High Profile Event	$80.00
Gatekeeper	$70.00
Gatekeeper-High Profile Event	$100.00
Security Guard	$50.00
Security Guard-High Profile Event	$80.00
Score Keeper/Clock Operator	$50.00
Site Manager - High School	$70.00
Site Manager - Intermediate School	$50.00
Football Game Filming	
Scrimmage	$65.00
Game	$110.00
Mileage	$.47/mile

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

Action: 7. 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	Burlington County Special Services School District	1000031533	9/1/26-6/30/27	$55,878.00
2	Upper Township BOE	Cape May County Special Services School District	1000033126	9/1/26-6/30/27	$41,500.00
3	Upper Township BOE	Cape May County Special Services School District	1000033156	9/1/26-6/30/27	$47,500.00

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

Action: 8. Professional Services Agreement
The Board approves Brett E.J. Gorman, Esquire, of the law firm Gorman, D'Anella, and Morlok as special counsel as outlined in the attached Agreement to Provide Legal Services at a rate of $225 per hour.

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

Action: 9. Annual Service Provider
The Board approves the following provider for services for the 2026-27 school year:

	Provider	Service	Cost
1	Capstone Medical Services, LLC*	Athletic Training Services (on an as needed basis)	$80.00/hour

*This professional service appointment is recommended for approval as an authorized exception to the Public School Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1, et seq.) competitive bidding requirements.

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

Action: 10. Joint Transportation Agreements
The Board approves the following Joint Transportation Agreements for the 2026-27 school year:

	Host District	Joiner District	Route	Cost
1	Greater Egg Harbor Regional	Ocean City	To/From YALE-Camden County College	$50,689.80 + 5% admin fee
2	Greater Egg Harbor Regional	Ocean City	To/From Katzenbach School	$36,088.23 + 5% admin fee

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

Action: 11. Cooperative Purchasing Contract
The Board approves a contract with Pitt Bull Secure Technologies for remote technology support services (Student Data Analysis - New Jersey State Reporting & Data Compliance Support- Level 3) in the monthly amount of $5,814.96 for the 2026-2027 school year effective October 1, 2026. This is a cooperative contract through the Monmouth Ocean Educational Services Commission - NJ Cooperative 289MOESC, Contract/Bid 25-12.

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

Action: 12. Comprehensive Maintenance Plan and Form M-1
The Board approves the 2025-26 Comprehensive Maintenance Plan and the annual Maintenance Budget Amount Worksheet (Form M-1) and authorizes the School Business Administrator to file the plan and worksheet with the County Office per N.J.A.C. 6A:26A.

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jennifer Cawley-Black.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action: 13. Grant Submission - School Lead Filters Program
The Board approves the submission of the Application and Reimbursement Request for the School Lead Filters Program, established pursuant to P.L. 2025. c. 76. The allocation amount for the Ocean City School District is $2,462.79.

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

Action: 14. Donation - Band Trailer
The Board accepts the following donation of a trailer for the high school band program:

	Donor	Description	Purchase Price	Use
1	The Spirit of OCHS Band Boosters	2026 Wells Cargo Trailer - FT612S2-D	$5,157.00	High School Band Programs

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

Action: 15. Donation (OC Reps Only)
The Board accepts the following donation for the 2026-27 school year:

	Donor	School	Amount	Use
1	Ocean City PTA	Intermediate School	$2,620.88	8th Grade Trip - Top Golf

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

J. PERSONNEL - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent

Action: 1. Job Description
The Board adopts the following job description for the 2026-27 school year by roll call vote:

Dean of Discipline

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

Action: 2. Retirement
The Board accepts the following retirement, with deep regret, by roll call vote:

	Name	Building/Location	Position	Effective Date
1	Linda Persia	District	Secretary to the Business Administrator	2/1/27

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

Action: 3. Resignation
The Board accepts the following resignation by roll call vote:

	Name	School/Location	Position	Effective Date
1	Kelly Cotter	District	Special Education Aide	9/25/26

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

Action: 4. District Placement
The Board approves the following District placement by roll call vote:

	Name	Assigned Staff	Description	College/University	Effective Dates
1	Suzanna Dietrich	Madison Kitchen	Internship	Temple University	8/24/26-12/7/26

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

Action: 5. New Substitute Appointments
The Board approves the following substitute appointments by roll call vote:

	Name	Location	Position	Effective Dates
1	Kelly DiPaola	District	Substitute Teacher	10/16/26-6/30/27
2	Debra Nolen*	District	Substitute Teacher	10/16/26-6/30/27
3	Mark Yellin*	District	Substitute Teacher	10/16/26-6/30/27
4	Kristen Mulraney	District	Substitute Teacher	10/16/26-6/30/27
5	Joseph Palamaro	District	Substitute Teacher	10/16/26-6/30/27
6	Gregory Woodward*	District	Substitute Teacher	10/16/26-6/30/27

*pending required NJDOE paperwork

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

Action: 6. High School Deans of Discipline
The Board approves the following High School Deans of Discipline for the 2026-27 school year by roll call vote:

	Name	Stipend
1	Zachary Fox	$2,000.00
2	Amy Kohl	$2,000.00

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

Action: 7. High School Co-Curricular Advisor 2026-27
The Board approves the following High School co-curricular advisor for the 2026-27 school year by roll call vote:

	Name	Position	Stipend
1	Aashini Patel	Winter Cheerleading Head Advisor	$3,584.00

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jennifer Cawley-Black.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action: 8. High School Coordinators 2026-27
The Board approves the following High School Coordinators for the 2026-27 school year by roll call vote:

	Name	Position	Stipend
1	Lauren Richards	Academic Awards Program Coordinator	$600.00
2	Lauren Richards	Graduation Program Coordinator	$200.00

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

Action: 9. 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	Mac Mancuso	Winter	Wrestling	Assistant Coach	$5,390.00
2	Michael Pomatto	Spring	Boys' Track	Assistant Coach	$5,390.00
3	Christian Clark	Spring	Boys' Lacrosse	Freshman Coach	$5,039.00
4	Erin Porter	Spring	Boys' Crew	Head Coach	$7,011.00
5	Joseph LaTorre	Spring	Boys' Lacrosse	Head Coach	$7,011.00
6	Timothy M. Kelley	Spring	Boys' Tennis	Head Coach	$7,011.00
7	Lesley Graham	Spring	Girls' Lacrosse	Head Coach	$7,011.00
8	Timothy Cook	Spring	Girls' Track	Head Coach	$7,011.00
9	Edward Ritti	Spring	Golf	Head Coach	$7,011.00
10	Amy Kohl	Winter	Diving	Volunteer Coach	n/a
11	Matthew Purdue	Winter	Track	Volunteer Coach	n/a
12	Travis Kotelnicki	Winter	Wrestling	Volunteer Coach	n/a
13	Steven Leypoldt	Winter	Wrestling	Volunteer Coach	n/a

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

Action: 10. District Summer 2026 Appointment
The Board approves the following District Summer 2026 appointment by roll call vote:

	Name	Position	Stipend
1	Eileen Conover	SEL Facilitator	$42.00/hr

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

Action: 11. Primary School Before School EASE Program (OC Reps Only)
The Board approves the following Primary School Before School EASE Program Teachers by roll call vote:

	Name	Rate	Effective Dates

1	Carole Maurer	$42.00/hr	October 2026-May 2027
2	Joel Dougan		
3	Regina Purcell		
4	Meredith Jefferson		

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

Action: 12. Intermediate School SEA Grant Club Advisors 2026-27 (OC Reps Only)
The Board approves the following Intermediate School SEA Grant Club advisors for the 2026-27 school year by roll call vote:

	Name	Position	Stipend
1	Kelly Halliday	Pickleball Club	$1,867.00
2	Eileen Conover	Garden Club	$1,867.00

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

Action: 13. Primary School Placements (OC Reps Only)
The Board approves the following Primary School placements by roll call vote:

	Name	Assigned Staff	Description	College/University	Effective Dates
1	Gianna Lare	Amanda McCormick	Student Teaching	Stockton University	1/4/27-5/1/27
2	Lexi Marks	Margaret Shiffler	Student Teaching	Stockton University	1/4/27-5/1/27

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

Action: 14. 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	Noah Gillian*	Winter	Boys' Basketball	Head Coach	$5,039.00
2	R. Scott Bloomstead	Winter	Girls' Basketball	Head Coach	$5,039.00
3	R. Scott Bloomstead	Winter	Volleyball	Head Coach	$5,039.00
4	Joseph Bodenlos	Spring	Baseball	Head Coach	$5,039.00
5	John Barbato	Spring	Boys' Track	Head Coach	$5,039.00
6	Ashley Schmid	Spring	Girls' Track	Head Coach	$5,039.00

*Pending NJ criminal history clearance and required onboarding documents

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

Action: 15. 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	2411	Intermediate School	Paid Medical	3/4/27-4/4/27
2	4885	Intermediate School	FMLA/NJFLA	1/4/27-3/21/27
3	0515	Primary School	Intermittent FMLA	10/5/26-6/30/27
4	1269	Intermediate School	Paid Medical, Revised	8/31/26-10/23/26

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

Reports: 17. Negotiations Committee Report
There was no report from the Negotiations Committee.

K. POLICY

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

	Policy Number	Policy Name	Mandated	New	Revised
1	P 8331	Student Data Privacy			X

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

Reports: 3. Policy Committee Report
Ms. Mansfield 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 (Full Board).

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jennifer Cawley-Black.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, 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.4, I.15, J.11, J.12, J.13, J.14, J.15) as presented/amended.

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

N. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Action: 1. Minutes: 9/17/2026 Regular and Executive Session
Motion to approve the minutes of the September 17, 2026, Regular Meeting and Executive Session as presented.

Motion by Jocelyn Palaganas, second by Lisa Mansfield.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

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
There was no new business.

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 Corey Niemiec, second by Jennifer Dwyer, and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 p.m.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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Timothy E. Kelley
Business Administrator/Board Secretary